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## Wisconsin - Hay Stocks

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### Wisconsin Hay Stocks Up From May 2010

Stocks of all dry hay stored on Wisconsin farms totaled 1.12 million tons on May 1, 2011, a 49 percent increase from the 753,000 tons stored on May 1, 2010. During the period December 1, 2010 to May 1, 2011, Wisconsin's livestock and dairy producers fed 2.16 million tons of hay compared to 2.27 million tons during the same period a year earlier.

Nationally, all hay stored on farms on May 1, 2011 totaled 22.2 million tons, up 6 percent from the previous May 1. Disappearance of hay from December 1, 2010 to May 1, 2011 totaled 79.9 million tons, 7 percent less than the disappearance of 86.3 million tons for the same period a year ago.

Hay stocks increased from last year across much of the nation's midsection. In many cases, these increases are attributed to increases in total hay production in 2010. Stocks were down throughout much of the western half of the U.S. and along the Atlantic Coast. Lingering winter weather in many western states forced producers to feed livestock longer into the spring months. Drought in many areas along the Atlantic Coast caused a lack of available winter pastures. Overall, the largest percentage declines in stocks occurred in California, Idaho, and Nevada.

### Hay Stocks on Farms, May 1, 2011, Top 15 States

| State      | 2009       | 2010       | 2011         |
|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| 1,000 tons |            |            |              |
| TX         | 2,100      | 1,100      | 2,500        |
| SD         | 1,900      | 2,190      | 1,850        |
| NE         | 935        | 1,000      | 1,335        |
| MO         | 2,050      | 1,250      | 1,325        |
| MT         | 590        | 720        | 1,300        |
| ND         | 700        | 1,310      | 1,250        |
| OK         | 1,000      | 650        | 1,200        |
| <b>WI</b>  | <b>950</b> | <b>753</b> | <b>1,122</b> |
| KS         | 1,350      | 1,200      | 1,000        |
| MN         | 790        | 630        | 810          |
| KY         | 465        | 1,006      | 799          |
| TN         | 552        | 678        | 746          |
| IA         | 750        | 420        | 610          |
| CO         | 400        | 650        | 450          |
| MI         | 450        | 330        | 420          |
| U.S.       | 22,065     | 20,931     | 22,217       |

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